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ASSEMBLING HEAT EXCHANGER, AND APPARATUS FOR AND METHOD OF

TEMPORARILY ASSEMBLING HEAT EXCHANGER

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371

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Responsive to the notification dated May 24, 2006, and in accordance with the provisions of 35 USC 371, Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee(s) was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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- Copy of IPE Report filed on 09/16/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/06/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/16/2005
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Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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